

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Paul et al.

Art Unit: 1746

Application No.: 09/369,679

Filed: August 5, 1999

For: MICROLAMINATION METHOD FOR
MAKING DEVICES

Examiner: Allen W. Olsen

Date: August 1, 2002

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously	Present Extra	Rate	Fee	
Total Claims	81	- 65*	= 16	\$9.00	\$ 144.00	
Indep. Claims	10	- 6**	= 4	\$42.00	\$ 168.00	
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid)				\$140.00		
One-month Extension of Time				\$55.00	\$55.00	
Two-month Extension of Time				\$200.00		
Three-month Extension of Time				\$460.00		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$367.00	

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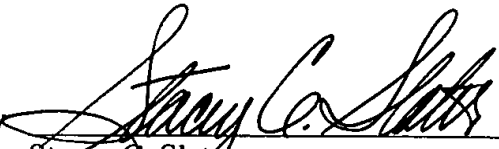
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- ☒ Applicants petition for an extension of time for the number of months indicated above. If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$367.00 is attached.
- ☒ A Marked-up Version of Amended Claims Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)-(c) is attached.

- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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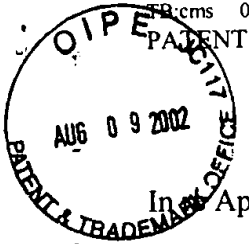
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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231AMENDMENT

This responds to the Office action dated April 11, 2002. Please amend the referenced application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 3, 15-17, 36 and 47-49. Applicants reserve the right to file continuation applications directed to the features of the canceled claims.

Please amend claims 1, 28 and 34 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for making a device or a component of a device, comprising:
- providing plural laminae that coupled together collectively define a monolithic device or a component of a device, at least one of the lamina having at least one structure, at least one substructure, and at least one fixture bridge, the structure and the substructure defining a space therebetween, and further with the substructure being coupled to the structure by the fixture bridge across the space; and
- dissociating the substructure by applying an electrical current across the fixture bridge sufficient to eliminate the fixture bridge.

28. (Amended) A method for making a micro- or meso-scale device or a component of such a device comprising: